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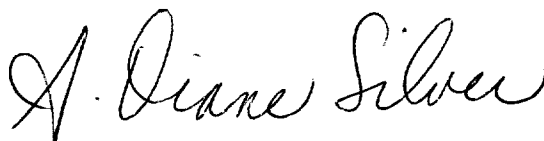
Attn: L.D. Jaffe
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Mr. Jaffe:

I was appalled to read about the technique involving "forced molting" of layer hens. It is beyond my comprehension that we humans can become so greedy that we rationalize behaviors that are considered inhumane at best. I cannot comprehend the lack of compassion that many industries have when dealing with other species and can only hope that persons like yourself can intervene to keep us from becoming total savages.

Please do what you can to assure that the petition (docket 98P-0203/CP) to ban the forced molting of layer hens is recognized and becomes a standard which the poultry industry must legally adhere to.

Thank you for listening.

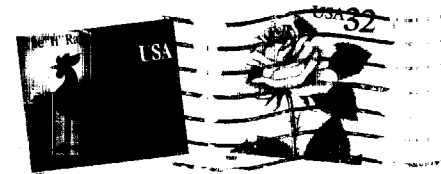


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